

Dr. Jeffrey Cornett
Chair and Professor
Department of Foundations and Secondary Education

It is the recommendation of the Chair and Faculty of the Department of Foundations and Secondary Education, the Dean of the College of Education and Human Services, and the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, that Dr. Jeffrey Cornett be appointed as a tenured Professor in the Department effective July 1, 2008.

Dr. Cornett earned the Ph. D. in Curriculum and Instruction from The Ohio State University. He currently holds a faculty position at University of Northern Iowa, and he has eight years of experience as an academic administrator, including both chair and dean experience. He has held a host of other leadership roles in colleges of education, including program coordinator/leader and director of teacher education. He has held the rank of tenured Professor at two universities.

Dr. Cornett is an expert in social studies education and also is an expert in law-related education. He is an accomplished scholar who has published in leading journals within his field. He has a history of securing external funding to support his research and service activities. That he has maintained an active scholarship agenda while serving as an academic administrator is especially noteworthy.

Dr. Cornett has served on numerous professional boards and panels and is the founder of the Consortium for Social Responsibility and Character in Education. He has a solid record of teaching at the undergraduate, master's, and doctoral level; he has supervised clinical experiences of teacher education students; and he has served on and chaired master's and doctoral committees. He has eight years experience as a middle/high school teacher, including experience in an international setting.

Dr. Cornett has a substantial record of service within the institutions in which he has worked as well as a commitment to working with the K-12 educational community. He has served as a consultant and workshop presenter to numerous organizations and has conducted evaluation projects. He has served on national editorial boards and held major offices in his national organizations. He also has extensive experiences with teacher education accreditation, and his previous leadership experience in Florida gives him an up-front edge in understanding the idiosyncrasies of our state program approval guidelines.

In sum, Dr. Cornett exceeds all criteria for tenure at the University of North Florida and is worthy of a tenured appointment to the faculty.